



042390.P7090

Patent

#6/B
mm
10/3/02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Thomas L. Stachura, et al.

Application No.: 09/411,407

Filed: September 30, 1999

For: Method and Apparatus for Performing
Network-Based Control Functions on
an Alert-Enabled Managed Client

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Examiner: Mirza, Adnan M

Group Art Unit: 2152

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with
the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient
postage in an envelope addressed to Commissioner of Patents,
Washington, D.C. 20231 on:

10.21.02

Date of Deposit

DEREK S. WATSON

Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

Signature

10.21.02
Date

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This response is submitted to an Office Action mailed *June 19, 2002*. In light of the
following amendments and subsequent remarks, reconsideration of the above captioned
application is respectfully requested.

RECEIVED

OCT 30 2002

Technology Center 2100

In the Claims:

1. (Amended) In a client device, a method comprising:

receiving externally provided control operations;

determining a current operating state of said client device; and

conditionally executing said control operations if execution of said control operations are

permitted while said client device is in said determined current operating state.